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Pact progress

In what is becoming a regular feature at Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meetings, teachers showed up in force Tuesday to urge the board to reach a contract agreement with the district's 1,100 teachers.

Ray Bihun, the district's executive director of human resources, said the sides have two eight-hour sessions - Feb. 10 and Feb. 17 - scheduled next month.

"Even though we don't have a contract, we're moving along very well toward a contract," Bihun said. "We're listening to each other, and that's very important."

The progress hasn't been fast enough to suit the teachers, who've been without a contract since last summer. Dannon McGuire, a literacy intervention teacher at Allen Elementary School, told the board teachers are working hard despite the logjam.

"I put in numerous hours beyond my regular workday doing what is right for students," she told the board. "Plymouth-Canton teachers deserve a contract."

Hunt winner

Jennie Estes of Livonia won the Forest Avenue Scavenger hunt during the Plymouth Ice Festival.

Estes collected all of the correct responses by visiting the 12



Jennie Estes of Livonia won the Scavenger Hunt during the Plymouth Ice Festival.

participating merchants, organized by Roz Spencer and Jayme Rossiter of Forest Computer Solutions in Plymouth.

Estes' entry was drawn as the winner, and she received a basket filled with gifts from Forest Avenue merchants in downtown Plymouth. The basket was valued at \$250.

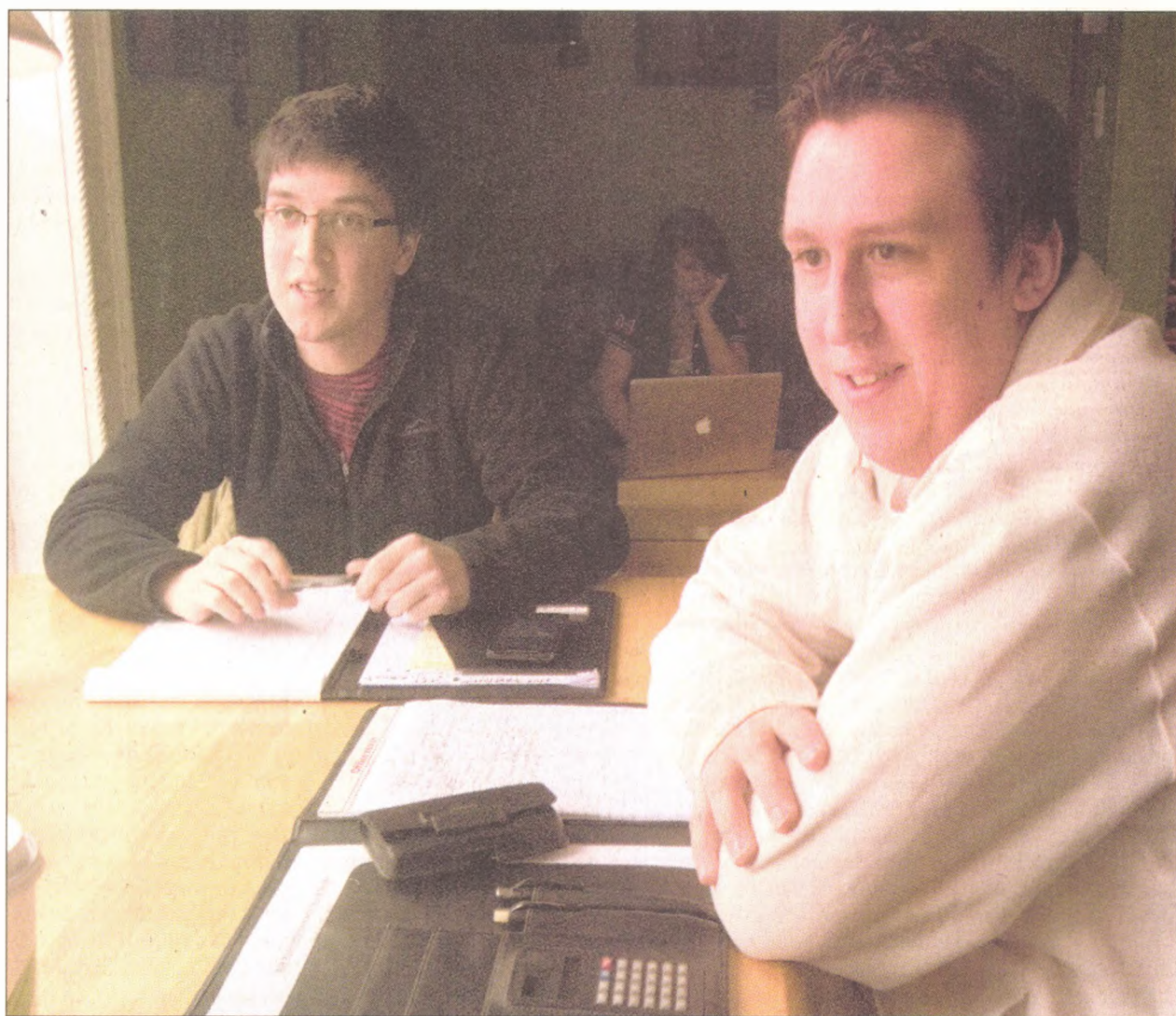
Participating stores included Sweet Afton Tea Room, Sideways, Hands On Leather, Magnolia Fresh Flower Market, Salon 550, Basket Kreations, Genuine Toy, E.G. Nicks, Plymouth Yoga Room, Avenue Market, House of Fudge and Forest Computer Solutions.

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Jeff Sibbold and Bryan Kelly talk about RanDinger, the phone application they invented which went public earlier this month.

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New ringtone app previews music at random

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



The RanDinger app is for phones with the Android operating system; its inventors are looking into designing a model for Apple's iPhones.

That musical ringtone on your mobile phone probably cost a buck or three.

Now, for around the same price, an application just launched by a pair of Plymouth-area computer science majors lets smart phone owners have access to millions of songs, try them out at random as ringtones, and buy those that strike their fancies for pennies each.

The RanDinger app (the name is a mashup of "random" and "ringer") went public Jan. 14, just months after its inventors, Jeff Sibbold and Bryan Kelly, got to work on it. The app, at \$2.99, is for phones with the Android operating system; Sibbold and Kelly are looking into designing a model for Apple's iPhones.

"You tell it what you want to hear" by setting basic parameters, "and it brings the previews to your

phone," said Kelly, who describes RanDinger as a way to personalize one's phone and preview music.

Kelly of Plymouth Township and Sibbold of Ann Arbor sat down for an interview Tuesday at the Plymouth Coffee Bean. Their new app development company is called Twisted Castle.

RanDinger users have four ways of choosing their ringtones: by artist, by music genre, by the current most popular tunes, or by the most popular from a given artist. After that, it's random.

"It keeps it fresh," said Sibbold, who grew up in Plymouth, and whose ringtones were picked by artist on Tuesday (Pearl Jam, then the Rolling Stones to demonstrate the ease of switching). "You're always hearing something new."

Once the app is purchased (a free version is limited to the current top 20 songs), users can switch parameters as often as they

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Sikhs, schools reach deal on kirpan

BY BRAD KADRICH
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Students of the Sikh faith will be allowed to continue wearing a kirpan, the knife-like symbol of nonviolence they're required to wear upon baptism, under terms of an agreement reached this week between Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials and leaders of the Sikh community.

More than a half-dozen meetings - and a great deal of legal and religious research - over the last six weeks produced an agreement leaders believe will satisfy both sides of the issue.

"First and foremost, we were concerned with student safety," said Ken Jacobs, the district's deputy superintendent and chief operating officer. "We were concerned with how we were going to blend student safety with freedom of religion ... that's what this country is based on. It's been a delicate issue ... we feel comfortable and confident with this solution."

That solution was conveyed Friday afternoon through a letter e-mailed to students, parents and school officials Friday afternoon. Both sides agreed that, starting Monday, students baptized in the Sikh faith could wear the kirpan to school under certain conditions:

- Any kirpan worn at school would have to be sewn inside a sheath in such a way that the blade would not be removable from the sheath.

- The blade of the kirpan would be restricted in length to no more than two-and-one-fourth inches, taking the object outside the scope of the Revised School Code's definition of a knife constituting a dangerous weapon.

- The blade of the kirpan must be dull.

- The kirpan could not be worn on the outside of the clothing and could not be visible in any way.

- It will not be the practice of staff members to conduct random searches for the possession of kirpans. However, students who violated any of the above will be subject to discipline including a prohibition on wearing the kirpan to school in the future.

The kirpan became an issue last month after a Bentley Elementary School noticed another student wearing it while playing. That student's mother became worried about student safety.

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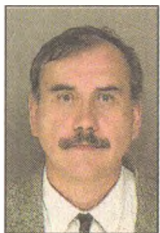
Former scout leader gets 3-20 in sex case

BY DARRELL CLEM
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A Canton man and former Boy Scout leader will spend three to 20 years in prison after a jury convicted him of child sexually abusive activity involving two 16-year-old boys while he was scoutmaster of a Plymouth-based troop.

William Arther Hoefling, 50, learned his fate Thursday when he was sentenced by Wayne County Circuit Judge Thomas Jackson, who rejected a motion to dismiss the sexual abuse charge.

Hoefling received less prison time on a wide range of other criminal charges, but he could potentially face 20 years behind bars after a jury in



Hoefling

December convicted him of sexually abusing the boys.

Canton Public Safety Director Patrick Nemecek lauded the sentence, saying anyone convicted of sexually abusing "an innocent child" should pay a price.

"We're always looking for a strong sentence on a case like this, and hopefully people who see that will get the message," Nemecek said. "We hope it sends a message that this type of behavior will not be tolerated."

Hoefling, a married father of two sons, was convicted after a jury heard testimony from the two accusers and

considered it along with statements Hoefling's wife and one of his children made in his defense in court.

Hoefling was the former scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 781, based at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Plymouth. The organization had severed ties with him after he was charged last year amid allegations he used his position of authority to coerce the boys into criminal sexual conduct as early as August 2009.

Steven Montgomery, deputy scout executive for the Boy Scouts Great Lakes Council that serves Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, said an isolated case shouldn't tarnish an organization he said is a leader nationally in protecting youths.

"Obviously the actions of this individual don't represent the Boy Scouts of America," Montgomery said. "Youth protection is one of our paramount issues in the Boy Scouts."

Montgomery said scouting organizations strive to provide parents with materials on keeping their children safe.

"Even one case (of sexual abuse) is too many, and that's why we go to the extremes we do to protect youths," he said.

During a preliminary examination last year, Kimberly Stout, Hoefling's defense attorney at the time, said Hoefling was trying to comfort a troubled teen when the allegations arose, and she had cited what she called

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Talent show

Band students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park have planned a variety talent show for the local community on Friday, Feb. 4, and Saturday, Feb. 5, at Salem High School on Joy Road in Canton. "Variety Is..." begins at 7 p.m. each evening. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens. Children five and under are free. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

The "Variety Is..." event is a two-night talent show comprised of musicians, comedians, dancers, singers, and musical groups. Each performance group or soloist must audition for the Variety Is... organizers. The students organize the annual event as part of their concert band curriculum led by director of bands, David Armbruster, with assistance from Sheldon Frazier, associate director of bands. Senior band students have led the student committee volunteers to publicize, audition, and organize the acts as they prepare for the two-night show.

The Music Boosters will kickoff the 2011 fund-raising campaign at "Variety Is..." to help defray the cost of sending over 200 students to New York City in November for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. The public is encouraged to attend.

New students who wish to participate in the 2011 marching season and travel to New York City to participate in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in November can receive a free ticket to "Variety Is..." by e-mailing Frazier at Sheldon.frazier@pcesmail.net.

New member information meetings for the 2011 marching season are scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 15; Wednesday, March 16; Tuesday, April 5; or Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m. in the band room in Plymouth High School. New members and parents only need to



Barrel o' fun

Former Plymouth Mayor Phil Purcell recently turned 50, and his friends just couldn't let the moment pass without having a little fun at Purcell's expense. Friends filled the lawn of Purcell's business, Main Street Auto Wash, with a barrel full of monkeys to commemorate the happy occasion. Purcell (left) shared a laugh over the hijinks with good friend Dorothy Twinney, managing partner at Pandora Outside the Box Marketing.

attend one of the four sessions. For more information, visit www.pcmb.net.

YMCA camp

The Plymouth Family YMCA is accepting registrations for Mid-Winter Break Camp. The camp will be held from Feb. 21-25 at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth. Hours of camp are 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., and campers can be dropped off any time between 7:30 and 9 a.m. and picked up any time between 4 and 6 p.m.

Activities will include swimming, field trips, character development and fun. Camp for YMCA members costs \$40 per day or \$165 for the week. The cost for community members is \$60 per day or \$195 for the week.

For more information, contact the YMCA office at (734) 453-2904 or go to www.ymca-detroit.org/plymouth.

Open house

Plymouth Christian Preschool and Plymouth Christian Academy will host an open house for prospective families 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10. Parents can meet the teachers, explore the curriculum, and tour the facilities. Check the website at www.plymouthchristian.org for more information on academic, athletic and extracurricular opportunities. PCA is located at 43065 Joy Road in Canton, between Lilley and Morton Taylor Roads.

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Sagear scholarship

The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. is striving to recognize a Plymouth-Canton School District High School Senior who has overcome adversity with its annual Sandra Sagear Rotary Scholarship.

Club officials are looking for students who have displayed courage, perseverance, spirit, and creativity in succeeding in achieving an education, despite a physical, mental or emotional barrier. They have also shown an appreciation of others and a commitment to their community. The recipient of this award will receive a scholarship.

The award is named after Sandra Sagear, a 1969 graduate of the original Plymouth High School who imagined and believed she could succeed as she lived everyday with Polio. To download an application, go to: <http://www.storytellerdesign.com/Portals/4/2011Application-ScholarRotary.pdf>

Chamber reaching out to youth with scholarship effort

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce officials are working to boost the chamber's student citizens scholarships, annual awards given to college-bound high school seniors, in an effort to promote volunteerism and cultivate local leadership.

The scholarships, supported in the past by a handful of donors and service clubs and based on community service rather than academic achievement, will have a broader funding base under a campaign soon to be launched by the chamber. The awards are typically announced each May.

"We're looking for a lot to give a little, not a few to give a lot," said Wes Graff, the chamber's executive director. Graff announced the effort Tuesday during the annual state of the chamber breakfast.

Joan Barrett, chairwoman of the chamber's education committee, said the chamber wants to show the area's young people that it supports them. That could encourage high schoolers to volunteer in the community, said Barrett, the director of

admissions at New Morning School in Plymouth Township.

It also, Graff said, could influence awardees' future plans about where to live and work.

"We want to reward kids who are good leaders," said Graff, adding that even with the state's economic slump, and much talk of young people leaving the state, the majority of people who will settle in the Plymouth area in the future are people who grew up there. "We want to set a good example of community service."

Chamber officials said the idea for a revitalized scholarship effort came after fundraising for last year's scholarships lagged, but turned around quickly when word went out to a few chamber activists. People at member businesses were motivated by the program, Barrett said.

"People gave right away, and it kind of increased what we were able to give" in scholarships, she said.

Four scholarships, of \$500 each, were awarded last year; officials are hoping to be able to increase that amount this year.

The chamber awards up to five scholarships each year: one to a student at each of the

three high schools at Plymouth Canton Educational Park, another to a student from the Starkweather Alternative High School, and a fifth to a student from Plymouth or Plymouth Township who is graduating from a private high school.

Barrett said she is gratified, when she reads through scholarship applications, to see how many different causes local teenagers support. Graff said applicants' volunteerism includes work at food pantry, a nursing home, schools, the Michigan Humane Society, the American Red Cross, and relief efforts for earthquake stricken-Haiti.

"It really just shows what our youths are doing in our community," Barrett said. "They do a lot."

The scholarship winners are announced during the annual Plymouth Showcase in May, as well as during end-of-the-school-year honors ceremonies at each of the schools.

Donors will be recognized during the Showcase, in chamber newsletters, and on the chamber Web site.

Anyone interested in making a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship fund can call the chamber at (734) 453-1540.

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"a serious lack of evidence" during the hearing in 35th District Court.

Hoefling could potentially serve the maximum sentence of 20 years in prison for one count of child sexually abusive activity. He also received one to two years behind bars on two counts of fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct; two to four years on two counts of using a computer and the Internet to communicate with another to commit a crime; and one to two years for distributing sexually explicit mat-

ter to children.

Jackson suspended a sentence for charges involving allegations Hoefling provided alcohol to a minor. Moreover, the jury had dismissed one count of using the Internet to commit a crime.

Hoefling, a once-respected scoutmaster, was charged after one of the boys made statements implicating the defendant during a counseling session, Canton police Sgt. Mark Gajeski has said.

In ordering Hoefling to stand trial, 35th District Judge Michael Gerou last August pointed to "a pattern of secrecy" involving a scoutmaster who "was in a superior position to the Scouts involved."

Canton Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner has cautioned against drawing broader conclusions about scouting organizations based on Hoefling's case.

One of the victims has testified in court that Hoefling picked him up at the Plymouth District Library, drove him to the Canton Meijer, bought alcohol and returned to Hoefling's van. The boy said Hoefling rubbed his back, chest and stomach, then fondled him.

The boy also testified that during a camping trip, he slept in a tent with Hoefling. He said the former scoutmaster again provided alcohol and touched him.

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Jeff Sibbold (right) and Bryan Kelly are convinced that smart phones and mobile apps are poised to boom.

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like at no extra charge. So your ringtone could be Roberta Flack one day, Randy Newman the next, and classical music the day after that, depending on how you set it.

RanDinger is linked to the U.K.-based digital music store 7digital (www.7digital.com), which has over 10 million titles. The songs are sold for between 77 cents and \$1.49 each; Kelly and Sibbold get a commission for every song sold through their app.

RanDinger's "buy" option pops up on users' phones once a call is complete; planned improvements to the app in the near future include a history page that lets users buy the song that announced an incoming call, say, five calls ago.

Kelly and Sibbold, who are cousins, began working with the Android sys-

tem last summer, after both picked up, by coincidence, the same book about the operating system — one with an android, or human-looking robot, on the cover.

"Bryan had the initial random ringtone idea, and it kind of evolved as we have gone back and forth," said Sibbold.

They got serious in October. They paid \$25 to Google (which owns the Android system) to put up the app, and a small fee to 7digital to tap into its music catalog. On Jan. 14, they hit the "publish" button, and the app appeared on their phones minutes later.

The two are relative newcomers to the world of smart phones.

"We didn't have smart phones until we started this project," said Kelly, who had selected his ringtones by genre — punk — on Tuesday.

But they're convinced that smart phones and mobile apps are poised to boom. They're fans of the periodic Mobile Mondays events at Compuware

Corp. in Detroit, which offer speakers on trends in mobile devices as well as brainstorming and networking opportunities. "There's a lot of good talent in the area," Kelly said.

In addition to continuing to develop the RanDinger, Sibbold and Kelly are trying to line up contract work and kicking around ideas for other apps.

It's not the get-a-job-and-settle-down post-college life they'd envisioned — Sibbold graduated from the University of Michigan in December of 2009, Kelly from Western Michigan University in May — but they're having fun. They have a good rapport, they said, and like having creative control.

"We know that whatever we create, it's something we want to be creating," Kelly said.

For more on the RanDinger app, visit the Web site www.RanDinger.com.

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Woman: Lion lifted her shirt, but witnesses can't corroborate

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A 22-year-old Ironwood Grill employee told police she "felt extremely violated, disrespected and uncomfortable" when a Detroit Lions football player lifted her shirt as they danced during an Ironwood employee party early Jan. 4.

However, police interviews with 12 other people who had been at the party, including Lions players and personnel and other Ironwood employees, found no one who reported seeing what the woman described.

Details of the allegation, and the statements gathered by police during their investigation, were released this week, following the denial of a misdemeanor warrant by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy's office. The prosecutor's office cited insufficient evidence in turning down a warrant request.

The names of both the player and the complainant were removed from the 34 pages of information released by police.

The woman said she was dancing with friends about 1 a.m. when the player also began dancing. The player "then proceeded to lift my shirt up, exposing my stomach and chest. I immediately pulled away and became visibly upset," and the man was escorted from the restaurant, the woman wrote.

The player denied the accusation. The complainant's lawyer, Michael Jaafar, has said he intends to file a lawsuit against the player; Jaafar could not be reached on Friday.

"A girl made a comment about my red wings hoodie I made a comment back (sic)," the player said in a handwritten statement. "Gathered my guys and decided it was time to leave. I was made aware of allegations and in no way shape or form did any of this take place."

The player was among 10 Lions employees, both players and support staffers, who had stopped by the Ironwood that night, police

said. Although the restaurant was closed for the employee party, the group was admitted.

In addition to the complainant and the player, police interviewed 11 other people who had been there that night. All described what they had seen from their various vantage points.

Dan Johnson, one of the Ironwood's owners, said he was in the office and looking at the security system when he saw a "situation" that he described as a "verbal argument with an employee." A person involved was asked to leave, he said.

"I did not see any shirts lifted and had full view of the area in question," Johnson wrote in his statement. "No dancing had occurred in the area in question."

Other witnesses also described a verbal altercation; two, both employees, said they heard the player call the complainant a name, and some saw the woman crying. But no one, including the male who escorted the player and his fellow Lions out, reported seeing the player lift the woman's shirt.

Once the Lions had left, a employee wrote in her statement, she asked the woman if she was OK.

"She replied, 'No! That guy tried to lift up my shirt!'" the employee wrote. When she asked for clarification, the woman again said he "tried" to lift her shirt, the employee said.

The woman then began sobbing and told the manager that the player had lifted her shirt, the co-worker wrote.

The complainant told police she had had two mixed drinks during the party in addition to two or three shots of liquor, saying that was a "conservative" estimate of her alcohol consumption.

Police also noted that the complainant, on a co-worker's Facebook page, was depicted posing during the party for a suggestive photograph.

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Empower Kids helps deal with bullies, meanies

BY BRAD KADRICH
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Kimber Bishop-Yanke knows bullying is a problem in schools across the state and around the country, but she knows it's not the only problem or, if you ask her, not even the bigger problem.

A more prevalent issue, according to Bishop-Yanke, is what she calls "meanie kid" behavior, which happens when kids call each other names, say derogatory things or otherwise make other kids feel less like they matter.

Bishop-Yanke was at Discovery Middle School this week to talk to a group of some 100 parents about ways to deal with both problems.

"True bullying... there are only a few kids doing that," said Bishop-Yanke, a mother of two boys who has been teaching these seminars for about 12 years. "But a majority of kids are saying something mean."

Bishop-Yanke runs a consulting service — Girls Empowered & Boys Empowered & Kids Empowered — that teaches parents, students and school officials how to deal with all of those disturbing behav-

iors. She was at Discovery at the invitation of a quintet of Parent-Teacher Organizations — from Isbister, Tonda, Bird, Smith and Dodson Elementary schools — to talk about signs kids are being bullied and indications other kids are being mean.

"We consistently get requests for information about bullying," said Sheila Paton of the Isbister PTO, who helped organize the seminar. "What we understand is bullies aren't going away. This will teach kids how to stand up for themselves and feel better about themselves."

Bishop-Yanke's strategy revolves largely around "An Empowered Kid's Tool Box," a metaphorical place inside which resides a child's own experience and knowledge, connections, skills, resources and beliefs. She teaches the "Bubble Concept" to deal with both bullying and Meanie Kid behavior. Kids put everything good they know about themselves inside the bubble, with the idea such knowledge strengthens a child.

"The more a child knows about himself the more he likes and feels comfortable with himself and the bigger

the bubble grows," Bishop-Yanke said.

Every child has one common need, to belong, she said, whether it's to a family, a circle of friends, church group, sports team, etc. Bullies, she said, look for kids who don't belong.

"For some kids, it's easy (to belong)," she said. "But for some, they aren't doing the activities and they don't have all the same interests. There are some kids who just don't fit in naturally."

According to Bishop-Yanke, self-esteem is a critical component to responding to, and overcoming, meanie-kid behavior. "It's critical to know what the child's internal voice is saying," she said. "Some internal voices are positive, others aren't."

Parents, she said, must make sure kids learn to "love themselves," to find things about which they're passionate, to develop a large circle of friends, because bullies pick up on it when kids don't have those things.

"A bully looks for kids who don't have a lot of friends," Bishop-Yanke said. "Having a lot of friends is one way to bullyproof yourself."

Kids who are victims of

"meanie kid" behavior often suffer through it because, from a young age, they've been taught to "just ignore it and it'll go away," although Bishop-Yanke said that's rarely true when it comes to meanie kid behavior. She also said the kids doing the meanie-kid behavior often don't realize it's mean because it has become "normal" to them.

TV, Bishop-Yanke said, is one of the biggest culprits.

"Our kids are watching TV shows that show unhealthy relationships," she said. "Even cartoons and Disney shows have name-calling and meanness. There's a lot of research that shows what kids see on TV they act out."

One way to prevent it all, she said, is to teach kids to stand up to bullies and meanie kids. Rather than ignore it or ask "why are you doing this to me?" Bishop-Yanke said the best thing kids can be taught to do is to stand up and say, in a clear, strong voice, "Stop."

"Standing up for themselves is a skill, it takes practice," she said. "The biggest message we're trying to get out there is that we need to stand up for ourselves."

Jennifer Stutts of Plymouth wanted to find out how to empower her kids to do just that. She has a 9-year-old girl and a 7-year-old boy. For Stutts, the seminar was more about learning how to empower her kids.

"I like the idea there's something they can do other than ignore it," Stutts said. "They don't have to be treated like that."

Parents can find out more at Bishop-Yanke's websites — www.girlsempowered.com, www.boysempowered.com and www.hvsports.com.

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Cheryl White, Community Education facilities coordinator, receives her Extra Miler Award from Board of Education President John Jackson.

Board honors 'Extra Miler' effort

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

16 elementary schools.

In reading the nomination, Jackson cited several things people said about White.

"Words like 'whatever it takes to get things done,' 'comes in early and stays late,' 'smiling, accommodating, rarely says no and can convince just about anyone to share,'" Jackson said. "One person said, '(White) keeps up on district issues and concerns and will do whatever is necessary to make sure students come first.'"

Betty Bloch, supervisor of the district's Community Education Department, said calling White's job "daunting" is a "massive understatement."

"You make an outstanding contribution not only to community education, but to the district as a whole," Bloch told White Tuesday.

White shrugged off the praise in accepting the award.

"I'm really just a part-time employee with no power at all," she said. "I really enjoy working in community ed... it's an awesome job. These are fabulous people to work with and wonderful facilities we have to offer the district."

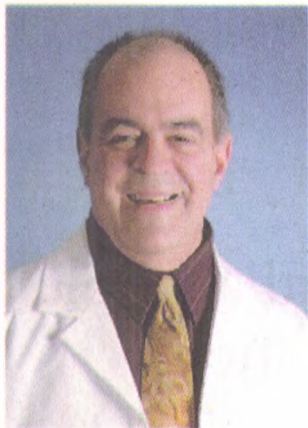
White, who has worked in the district eight years in two stints, coordinates the use, inside and outside, of the district's five middle schools and

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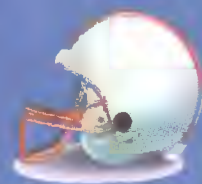
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Compromise protects students and religious rights

In December, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools had a situation at one of its elementary schools in which a student was found wearing a religious emblem that resembles a small decorative sword, called a kirpan. As this was the first time we had ever seen a kirpan, our staff moved carefully and deliberately to ensure that a good decision would be reached.

At the time, we indicated that our attorneys were reviewing both state and federal laws, as well as board policies, with regard to the prohibition against weapons or look-a-like weapons in any of our buildings and the impact of that language on wearing a kirpan. We also indicated we would explore



Ken Jacobs

options that would both ensure school safety as well as protect the rights of all students. We also looked at schools throughout the U.S. hoping to find other school districts that had written policies on this subject; however, we found very little.

While our attorneys researched the case law on the wearing of the kirpan, district staff engaged in a series of conversations with leaders from the Gurdwara Singh Sabha of Michigan, which is located in Canton Township. We were extremely impressed by their willingness to

GUEST COLUMN

help us address our concerns with the kirpan. TejKiran Singh was particularly helpful and understanding of our dilemma.

After an extensive review of all laws and policies pertaining to this issue, we developed an accommodation plan we believe best addresses the situation. While our school district is committed to providing a safe learning environment for all of our students, we must also balance the rights of students to express and practice their religion. So, starting Monday, Jan. 31, baptized students of the Sikh faith will be allowed to wear the kirpan

at school with the following conditions:

1. Any kirpan worn at school must be sewn inside a sheath in such a way that the blade is not removable from the sheath.
2. The blade of the kirpan will be restricted in length to no more than two and one-fourth inches. This would take the object outside the scope of the Revised School Code's definition of a knife constituting a dangerous weapon.
3. The blade of the kirpan must be dull.
4. The kirpan may not be worn on the outside of the clothing and cannot be visible in any way.
5. It will not be the practice of staff members to conduct random search-

es for the possession of kirpans. However, students who are found in violation of any of the above will be subject to discipline, including a prohibition on wearing the kirpan to school in the future.

This accommodation plan speaks volumes about the district's continuing commitment to the rights of all our students and our respect for our diverse community. We worked together and found an answer that both ensures a safe school environment and provides our Sikh students the right to exercise their religion freely.

Ken Jacobs is deputy superintendent and chief operating officer for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

NEWS BRIEF

Museumania benefit

The Plymouth Historical Museum's annual auction and benefit dinner, "Museumania," will be held Saturday, Feb. 12, at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. The doors open at 5 p.m.; dinner begins at 6 p.m. The evening includes a live auction and raffle, with items available for viewing when the

doors open. Auction and raffle items include a commemorative Daisy BB Gun, wine, antiques, jewelry, gift certificates from local merchants and restaurants, gift baskets and much more.

Following the live auction, diners will be treated to the talk "Those Damned Black Hat Boys": A Short History of the 24th Michigan Infantry in the Civil War, with John

Gibney. Gibney is the director of the Monroe County Historical Museum. Period dress (Civil War era) is encouraged, but not required.

Tickets are \$60 per person if purchased by Jan. 26 and \$70 per person after that date, so get your tickets now. Ticket price includes the talk, hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, plated gourmet dinner & dessert, and the opportunity to bid on the live auction & raffle. Tickets are being sold at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street, and on the Museum's website at <http://www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html>. For more information, call (734) 455-8940.

KIRPAN

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Bentley Elementary Principal Jerry Meier at first told the Sikh student he could wear the kirpan; the district, citing the district's zero-tolerance policy against weapons and look-alikes, denied the wearing of the kirpan. The student, in consultation with Sikh leadership, agreed to leave it off while the sides worked out a compromise.

That compromise has now been reached.

"I have all the feedback from (parents in) my gurdwara, and they're very happy," said TejKiran Singh, a member of the conflict resolution committee at the Sahib Singh Sabha, the Sikh place of worship in Canton, who met multiple times with representatives of the district. "Our goal was to be able to practice our religious practices. We will obey any law, any rules will

be fully obeyed by us, (but) we wanted to be able to accommodate our faith. America stands for freedom of religion ... We have come up with a solution that allows Sikhs to practice their religion."

District officials were "very mindful" of the possibility of legal challenges to the policy, Jacobs said. That's why the district's legal representatives researched case law and rendered a number of opinions along the way. Jacobs said both sides have had people urging them to challenge whatever solution gets put in place. Jacobs said very little, if any, case law would have supported a total ban of the kirpan.

"Our attorneys looked at all the case law that was available," Jacobs said, "All the case law supports what we're doing."

Singh acknowledged Sikh officials at the national level wanted him to seek a policy that would have allowed Sikh students to wear the kirpan with no restrictions, but Singh said he's confident he can

convince national leaders this compromise is viable.

"The national (Sikh) community thought we shouldn't have restrictions ... they said we don't use (the kirpan) as a weapon," Singh said. "But I told them that we know that, but everyone (in the community) doesn't know that. As far as the local community is concerned, they tend to listen. I told (the national group) my major aim is to not only look at the law, but look at how we can make parents happy."

Both Singh and Jacobs sang each other's praises in terms of the cooperation exhibited in arriving at the decision.

"It was a wonderful experience working with those very professional people," Singh said. "I'm very happy."

Added Jacobs: "The Sikh community has been very good about listening to us and addressing our concerns. They've been very willing to cooperate with us."

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Wayne County launches long-term national children's health study

Women living in Westland, Canton, Wayne and Livonia who are or will soon be pregnant will be eligible to participate in a long-term national study of children's health.

The Michigan Alliance of the National Children's Study is launching the National Children's Study in Wayne County, which is the first of five Michigan counties to participate. The study will document the effects of the social and physical environment on children's health from pregnancy to age 21. One hundred thousand families nationwide will participate in the study.

Wayne County is one of 30 national vanguard sites selected to test various recruitment methods to enroll women who are pregnant, or considering becoming pregnant in the near future.

"Nationally, we spend billions to treat childhood conditions, such as cerebral palsy, birth defects, autism and asthma. Until now, we have never supported large scale research across the nation that examines the conditions and factors that influence a child's health before, during and after

birth," said Dr. Nigel Paneth, a pediatrician and perinatal epidemiologist and principal investigator of MANCS. "The National Children's Study has the potential to discover ways to improve the overall health and well-being of children and to prevent disease, helping to guide health practice, clinical interventions and health policy for future generations."

"We are at the forefront of this effort. As a community, we have the opportunity to embrace the study," said Christine Joseph, senior staff epidemiologist, Henry Ford Health System. "We have much to gain in terms of the future health of our children, and Wayne County is a key player as one of the first locations nationally to launch."

STUDY SAMPLE

Women who are or will soon be pregnant are eligible for the study, if they reside in statistically selected neighborhoods. The study sample will accurately reflect the diversity of Wayne County. Those who join the study will be asked to stay involved

from before the child is born until he or she reaches their 21st birthday. Participating mothers will be asked a series of questions about their and their child's health and environment. Study staff will collect samples from participants and the environment. No medications or drugs will be administered. Participants will be compensated at various intervals during the study.

Wayne County is asking obstetricians, gynecologists, pediatricians, nurses and members of the health community to provide study information to patients. Study recruitment includes community outreach and information. MANCS will enroll the first participants this month.

"Whether you participate personally in this study or encourage someone to do so, you are doing a great service for our community," said Paneth. "You truly have the ability to impact the health of future generations."

The NCS is funded by the National Institutes of Health. In 2007, MANCS received an \$18.5 million, five-year contract to conduct the

Study in Wayne County. In 2008, MANCS received an additional \$57 million in funding to conduct the NCS in Genesee, Grand Traverse, Lenawee and Macomb counties. Those counties will launch over the next few years as results of the vanguard study become available. In addition to the health benefits of the study, these contracts will bring quality jobs to Michigan.

COLLABORATIVE EFFORT

The Michigan Alliance for the National Children's Study, which is conducting the study in Michigan, is a collaborative partnership of scientists and health care providers representing Henry Ford Health System, Michigan Department of Community Health, Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Wayne State University and its affiliate, Children's Hospital of Michigan.

In Wayne County, MANCS is collaborating with the Detroit Department of Health and Wellness Promotion and Wayne County Health and Human Services.

MSU will coordinate the overall work of the study and house the main study office at its East Lansing campus. MSU also will be responsible for the retention of study participants. MSU Extension will play a major role in developing community engagement in each of the five counties.

U-M will be responsible for enrolling and interviewing study participants and assessing postnatal child development, while WSU will oversee the assessment and care of pregnant women. Children's Hospital of Michigan will manage the repository for biological samples.

The Henry Ford Health System will work with MSU Extension to develop community support, manage environmental samples, and oversee medical examinations of children, while MDCH will provide information related to live birth characteristics and locations in each of the five participating counties.

Potential participants can ask their health care provider for information about the study, or check eligibility by calling 888-99-MI-NCS (888-996-4627).

Residents show interest in Wayne-Westland school board vacancy

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Time is running out for residents to formally let the Wayne-Westland school board know they're interested in filling a vacancy.

People have until 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, to indicate in writing that they are interested in filling the vacancy.

As of Friday morning, five people had turned in documents indicating that they are interested in the position, according to Jan Teague in Superintendent Greg Baracy's office. The names of the candidates will not be released until

after the filing deadline.

"It's generated a lot of calls and I think because of the economy, people are asking things about the position, the pay and the office hours," Teague said. "I'm sure we'll have a couple more come in by Monday."

The school board will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, to interview candidates and select a new member to serve out the remaining 143 days of a term that had been held by Martha Pitsenbarger. The veteran school board member, who had already indicated that she would not seek re-election in the May 3 school

election, resigned Jan. 10 due to circumstance beyond her control. Pitsenbarger had been commuting from Myrtle Beach, S.C., where she had been caring for her husband, Jack, who is recovering from an illness cause by a bacterial fungus.

The person selected will serve only on the board until June 30 when the term expires.

Candidates must be a registered voter of the dis-

trict, which includes the City of Wayne and portions of Westland, Canton, Romulus, Inkster and Dearborn Heights, and be at least 18 years old. They also must be a citizen of the United States, resident of the State of Michigan and the school district and otherwise eligible to hold the office.

School board members receive a monthly stipend in lieu of a salary. The amount per year is \$2,960 which includes both mileage and

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Residents interested in serving on the board can drop off their documents in the superintendent's office at the district's administrative services building at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland. Information about the appointment can be obtained by calling the superintendent's office at (734) 419-2010.

The appointment will be made less than 24 hours

before the 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8, filing deadline for the school election in two seats — the vacant position and that of school board President Skip Monit — will be filled in the election. Both are four-year terms.

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Bing opposed to Heise's plan for regional water system control

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As Detroit officials prepare to announce what they want to charge more than 100 area communities, including Plymouth and Plymouth Township, for water in the next fiscal year, conversation over the future of the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department is heating up.

At issue is a plan by state Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, that would put the DWSD under regional control, through a nine-member executive committee with representatives from Detroit, Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, and, on a rotating basis, five water customer communities.

"We need a new type of governance structure where we get the custom-



Heise

ers at the table," said Heise on Friday. He stressed that Detroit would retain ownership of the water system infrastructure, but major decisions would be made on a regional basis. "It'll have more transparency, more collaboration," he said.

Heise's House Bill 4112 would form a committee that Heise said would be modeled after a committee that was designed to manage sewerage issues among a number of Wayne County communities. Heise is the former director of the Wayne County Department of Environment.

But Heise's plan was decried by political leaders in Detroit Thursday as a takeover and "a money grab."

Detroit Mayor Dave Bing is firmly against the plan, said spokeswoman Karen Dumas on Friday.

"We understand there are some challenges to the department and we are working" to address those, Dumas said. "It's going to take a minute."

Dumas said that, as Detroit carries the DWSD's debt and financial obligations, it's only right that it retain the system itself. She said Bing and city officials are looking forward to installing permanent leadership at DWSD and creating a structure with more transparency and accountability.

Heise, however, said his plan has a "significant financial incentive" for Detroit, in that it would allow for refinancing outstanding bonds, on a 50-year basis, at current lower interest rates. "This could provide them with a tremendous cash savings," he said.

Asked about that facet of the plan, Dumas reiterated Bing's opposition to it.

Heise said recent federal indictments of ex-Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick and Victor Mercado, Kilpatrick's water department chief, charging corruption in the way the DWSD awarded some contracts, bolster his case. The alleged corruption, Heise said, affected what suburban customers paid for water.

"There is clearly a mood in this region that we've got to do something new," he said, adding he is optimistic about the prospects of regional governance. His plan would not amount to a department takeover, he said, and is preferable to continued U.S. District Court oversight of the system, which has been ongoing since 1977.

It's also preferable, Heise said, to lawsuits against DWSD, which some

communities have threatened, alleging past financial harm because of mismanagement.

"All of this litigation is only going to make the lawyers rich," he said. "It's not going to bring us closer to regional governance."

In Plymouth, Mayor Dan Dwyer said he hasn't looked at the details of Heise's proposal, but that, at first glance, he favors it.

"It would be a positive thing if in some way the suburbs have more of a vote in the system," Dwyer said.

The DWSD is planning to announce its 2011-2012 water rate proposals on Tuesday at the offices of the South East Michigan Council of Governments. The new rates would take effect in July.

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Madonna announces lecture, concerts open to public

Madonna University added a few new events to its February schedule in honor of Diversity Week and changed the date of the upcoming classical guitar performance by Raphaella Smits.

The events are:
Monday, Feb. 7: A free guest lecture about religious diversity, with a special focus on Sikhism, presented by Madonna benefactor Deepinder Uppal, professor of English and communication

at Southwestern Michigan College. The lecture will be held at noon in Kresge Hall.

Wednesday, Feb. 9: Mexico's noted vocalist Salvador Ginori will perform a free concert. Ginori performed with the Michigan Opera Theatre for two seasons and continues to perform internationally. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. in Kresge Hall.

Thursday, Feb. 10: "CutTime," a string quartet of Detroit Symphony Orchestra

musicians, will perform a free concert of musical selections from the serious classical genre to swinging spirituals and sassy jazz standards. It begins at 7 p.m. in Kresge Hall.

Sunday, Feb. 27: Internationally renowned Belgian classical guitarist Raphaella Smits will perform. The concert is at 3 p.m. in Kresge Hall. Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$15 for students. Call (313) 832-2613.

Bowling centers team up to help Goodwill

Bowling enthusiasts can go for strikes while helping Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit through its "Bowl for Jobs" and "Donate for Jobs."

Goodwill and Blue Ribbon Bowling Centers invite Metro Detroiters to bowl at locations in nine area cities, including Westland Bowl in Westland. Each location will accept monetary donations and gently used clothing or other items from Tuesday, Feb. 1, through Sunday, March 6. The best donated items will be among those sold at Goodwill's new flagship upscale resale store on Ford Road in Canton.

Every donor will receive a coupon for one free game of bowling with the purchase of another game.

In addition to Westland Bowl at 940 N. Wayne Road, Westland, the participating

- centers include:
- Beech Lanes, 15492 Beech Daly, Redford.
 - Cherry Hill Lanes, 300 N. Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights.
 - Drakeshire Lanes, 35000 Grand River Ave., Farmington.
 - Luxury Lanes, 600 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale.
 - Mayflower Lanes, 26600 Plymouth Rd., Redford.
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 - Sunnybrook Lanes, Sterling Heights.
 - Thunderbird Lanes, 400 West Maple, Troy.
 - Westland Bowl, 940 N. Wayne Road, Westland.
 - Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia.
- Each of the participating centers also will raise funds for the campaign through 50/50 raffles during league bowling. Donation and

raffle activities supporting Goodwill are in conjunction with Blue Ribbon Bowling Centers league "St. Patrick's Pot o' Gold Tournament."

Donors will receive a buy one, get one free bowling coupon courtesy of Blue Ribbon Bowling Centers. For more information on Goodwill and its new store in Canton, follow Goodwill on Twitter at www.twitter.com/goodwilldet or connect on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GoodwillDetroit.

All donations will support the employment training and education programs of Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit. Goodwill is the only organization in southeast Michigan dedicated solely to helping local people overcome employment challenges and earn jobs.

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Rotary Club says thanks for member's generous gift

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Don Douglass has done a lot during his 44 years as a member of the Westland Rotary.

Although he's not a charter member — he joined in 1967, a year after the club formed — he is the longest serving member. He has met every single member of the club and has lived through every president, including some twice. He has seen every one of the club's fund-raisers develop and attended them.

He has watched Rotary International and the Westland Rotary change, and was there when women were allowed to join the organization in 1987.

But there's one thing the Canton resident hasn't done — serve as the club's president. And with good reason. A former teacher, counselor and high school assistant principal with the Wayne-Westland Community Schools, he spent his summers Up North.

"I tried to attend all the meetings except during the summer," said Douglass. "I was secretary, treasurer, but never president because I was gone in the summer."

Douglass was honored by the club at its luncheon meeting Thursday for his decision to set aside an undisclosed sum of money in his estate for the club to use.

"He has set an example of service above self in everything he has done," said club President Jeffrey Juenemann. "He believes in the work of Rotary and believes in its goals and now he has given the club a monetary gift that can be used locally. With Don, we have a bright future for our club."

"The amazing thing is what Rotary is about," said Mike McCullough, a Trenton



THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Michael McCullough, a Trenton Rotarian and a past Rotary International director (left), and Jeffrey Juenemann, president of the Westland Rotary (right), honor Don Douglass for his many years of service as a Rotarian and for the money he has set aside to benefit the club.

Rotarian and a past Rotary International director. "You have the opportunity to see ordinary people do extraordinary things. Don, you fit that description. You step up, you see a need and do the deed."

McCullough compared Douglass's donation to the \$355 million grant Bill Gates has provided to fight polio.

"You believe in Westland Rotary, you want to incite and excite," he said. "It's not about the money and what the money can do. You know the money is a tool to be of service to the community. I believe you've set the example for other folks."

A Paul Harris Fellow for his support of the Rotary Foundation, Douglass finds it hard to name one thing that has been the best thing about Rotary over the past 44 years. While he help set up scholar-

ships at Wayne Memorial and John Glenn high schools, he remembers the club donating a commercial washer and dryer to Wayne-Westland's clothing bank, standing on street corners collecting money and the work the organization has done to eradicate polio worldwide.

Rotary International has taken on the polio project. According to Douglass, it's down to few countries like Pakistan.

"I'm glad to be part of doing something good for the world, whether it's eradicating polio or providing clean water," he said. "Three thousand children die every day because of poor water. We do wells to help clean up the water."

Douglass first attended a club meeting at the invitation of a Rotarian. He didn't know what the organization was, but

he learned.

"When I joined it was a good ole boys club, there were no women," he said. "We did a lot of nice things, but not like now."

Douglass took some good-natured ribbing from his fellow Rotarians. Lou Toarmina recalled one time when Douglass was giving out the high school scholarships.

"We had a visiting Rotarian from Belleville, he mistook for a high school student and tried to give her a scholarship," he said.

As for his gift to the club, Douglass gave but one instruction.

"I want it used, I don't want you sitting on it," he said. "I want it spent for the good things the club does. Use it, use it wisely which I know you will."

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Ohio speaker highlights museum's 'Mad Hatter' tea

Ever wondered if your ancestors would embarrass you today?

Jana Broglin of Swanton, Ohio, will talk about "Hookers, Crooks, and Kooks. Aunt Merle Didn't Run a Boarding House" during the Plymouth Historical Museum's Mad Hatter Tea on Sunday, Feb. 27. Broglin is a professional genealogist with more than 30 years of experience.

Museum officials said Broglin's talk will follow a Victorian-style tea complete with scones, tea sandwiches, and other fare. The tea that will be served is the museum's signature "Mary's Blend," a tantalizing cherry and almond black tea in honor of Mary Todd Lincoln.

This tea is also available for purchase in the Museum's store.

Tickets for the Mad Hatter Tea are \$20 for Plymouth Historical Society members and \$25 for non-



Broglin

members if purchased by Feb. 15 (add \$5 to the ticket price after that date), and can be purchased at

the Plymouth Historical Museum during open hours, or on the website at <http://www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html> using PayPal.

Ticket holders who come early that day are also invited to enjoy the Museum's new special exhibit, "Rediscovering the Civil War." Ticket holders are also encouraged to wear their craziest hat to the Mad Hatter Tea!

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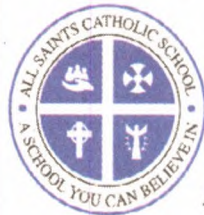
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"We use fresh vegetables, try to stay away from canned, processed," said Cervi. "One of our cooks, Tina Fleming, is in the culinary program at Schoolcraft College. She is very creative and interactive with residents during the meals."

Cervi observes meals as well. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served restaurant-style. "We want to provide residents with what they want," said Cervi. "One of our residents is a vegan. She's in her 90s and a Seventh-day Adventist. We go out and get meals for anyone who requests kosher or halal. Residents might want more danishes or bagels. Our main focus is to try to obtain what the resident was used to before coming here. We want to provide for residents as if it's their home."

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Bea Colling was at Four Seasons' holiday dinner for residents and families in December. She raved about the food served to her mother, Rose Butcher, a Four Seasons resident for two years. "Their meals are good every day of the week... the name is Four Seasons but it should be 'Four Stars'," said Colling.

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Friday night's hockey game at Canton Arctic Edge featured intense action between the host Chiefs and Salem. Here, Canton's Jordan Smith (No. 5) eludes a diving poke check by Michael Hochkins (No. 11) of the Rocks.

Chiefs 'Lash' out at Rocks

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It was standing room only for Friday night's hockey showdown at Canton Arctic Edge between the host Chiefs and Salem.

The game lived up to its billing as Canton gave up a lead with just 2:38 left in the third only to come crashing back to win 4-3 on senior Garrett Bryden's winner with 50 seconds to go.

Bryden — who scored on a rebound with 6.9 seconds remaining in the second period to tie the game at 1-1 — won the game by skating through defenders and crashing into Rocks goalie Brandon Price.

When the puck trickled behind Price (who stopped 29 shots), the Canton throng went wild.

"That's what playoffs are going to be like," Canton head coach Jeremy Majszak said about the game's intensity. "They had the lead, we had the lead. It was a big

test for us, it was huge."

Canton (9-5-2, 5-2-1) spoiled Salem's bid to clinch at least a share of the KLA South Division and also won the Lash Cup to boot.

The Lash Cup goes to the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park hockey team to have the best head-to-head record. Canton nipped Salem for the second time this year and still needs to play Plymouth.

"But regardless of that outcome, nobody can catch us," Majszak said. "And when it comes to the division, we're one point behind Salem with two games left (and one game in hand).

"This puts us back in the driver's seat for the division."

According to Salem head coach Ryan Ossenmacher, the contest "came down to the last minute. We didn't make a play, they did and that's the way the game goes."

He cited Salem's 0-of-6 mark on the power play as one factor, and also acknowledged the "big momentum swing" that went Canton's way in the final seconds of the second period.

Nursing a 1-0 lead (on Ryan Quigley's unassisted shorthanded goal at 4:58 of the first), the Rocks could not extend their lead because of some fine work from Chiefs goalie Spencer Craig (32 saves) and the sputtering power play.

KEY MOMENT

Then came the tying goal with time running out in the second.

Ossenmacher later said he thought a Chiefs penalty should have been called on the play, because a Salem player was tripped up in the neutral zone — springing Canton's Brandon Schlieger on a rush into the Rocks' zone.

Please see **HOCKEY, B2**

Chiefs coveting top KLA prize

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After hammering two opponents at Wednesday's Westland John Glenn-hosted quad meet, Canton's varsity boys wrestling team is gearing up for a huge challenge.

The 23-4 Chiefs — who are state-ranked and boast five wrestlers in the Top-10 in their weight classes — already clinched first place in the KLA South Division for the first time ever, according to head coach Cory Mancuso.

With the Chiefs sitting out Saturday's Observerland Invitational, the next step comes Wednesday at the KLA quad meet for the association's four division leaders. Action starts 5:30 p.m. at Canton.

First, the Chiefs (5-0 in the South) must defeat Novi (16-5, 5-0 in the Central).

Assuming West Division leader Hartland (23-2, 5-0) then takes care of Waterford Kettering (6-2, 5-0 in the North Division), Canton will square off against Hartland for the championship.

For Mancuso, facing the Indians is just the way he likes it.

"It's at our house. Hartland's won the previous two years," Mancuso said. "In fact, Hartland's never lost a KLA match, so our goal is to give them their first-ever conference loss since the inception of the KLA."

Last season, Canton lost to Hartland in a match that Mancuso said "wasn't all that close but there were a lot of good matches. So we're feeling pretty confident that we can definitely hang with them if not beat them."

WORKING FOR SUCCESS

Mancuso said keys to his team's success include a lot of sweat and extra reps, along with intangibles such as good attitude and positive team makeup.

"I'm very confident it's going to continue," said Mancuso, about Canton's success. "We've been working real hard and we have a very good team. We have a lot of team chemistry."

He also mentioned the culture of winning that permeates Canton High School athletics.

"There's definitely a winning attitude at Canton," Mancuso said. "All of the coaches at Canton have high expectations to win and we do a lot of winning."

Please see **WRESTLING, B3**



Abro

SIDELINES

Gymnast ties mark

Canton junior Ayana Lewis tied a 16-year-old school record on uneven bars during Thursday night's tri-meet with Walled Lake Gold and Walled Lake Maroon.

Lewis finished first with a mark of 9.55, equaling the record set in 1995 by Katey Gilles.

Her performance was one of the highlights as the Chiefs finished first with 144.7 points, ahead of Maroon (122.65) and Gold (111.35).

Canton improved to 8-1 overall and 6-0 in the KLA and is staying sharp for the Canton Invitational slated for Saturday, Feb. 5. Senior Robyn Piowar won the other four events: vault, 9.55; balance beam, 9.6; floor exercise, 9.5; and all-around, 37.5.

Finishing second on bars (9.25), beam (9.15) and floor (9.35) was sophomore Alex Fidele. Thirds went to senior Brooke Granowicz (floor, 9.0) and freshman Erica Lucas (vault, 9.1).

For girls only

Looking to boost the profile of girls hockey, Canton Arctic Edge hosted Saturday night's "Hockey Night in Canton" featuring the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins.

But that's not all. The arena at 46615 Michigan near Canton Center Drive welcomes girls for some informal sticks and pucks, between 8-8:50 a.m. Saturdays.

The program carries the point-blank slogan "No Cuts! Boys!" and is just \$5 per participant.

Girls must bring their own equipment or use rental equipment available at Arctic Edge on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, call (734) 487-7777 or go to www.arcticarenas.com.

It's no beauty, but Wildcats grind out big win

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There was a lid on both baskets Friday night as evidenced by the two teams shooting a combined 15-of-88 from the floor.

But in the end, KLA South Division leader Plymouth got to the free throw line and kept its perfect record intact Friday night by grinding out an ugly 40-25 boys basketball victory over visiting Livonia Franklin.

The Wildcats, who improved to 9-3 overall and 6-0 in the KLA South, outscored the Patriots 29-13 in the second half after trailing 12-11 at halftime.

"We were able to construct a defensive effort tonight," Plymouth coach Mike Soukup said. "That is certainly what wins the game. I've told them all along something we can control is defense. We were able to do that the first half and we really clamped down in the second half."

Plymouth won despite shooting only 7-of-44 from the floor (15.9

percent), but connected on 19-of-28 free throws (67.8 percent).

"You're going to have nights when you can't throw it in the ocean," Soukup said. "This was one of those nights for us. We got looks. I was happy with the looks we were getting, but we didn't knock them down by any stretch of the imagination."

Senior guard Stephen Jahn helped get Plymouth untracked with 10 second-half points, including a pair of three-pointers in the third quarter. His triple with 7:21 left in the third period gave the Wildcats the lead for keeps.

The Wildcats' top scorer was Pat Salo, who finished with 11.

Mike Nadratowski, who was coming off a stellar 33-point effort in Tuesday's win over Novi, finished with eight points.

Franklin's 1-3-1 zone defense gave Plymouth fits.

"We've faced two already and we just haven't struggled like that ever against it," Soukup said.

Please see **BASKETBALL, B4**



BILL BRESLER (STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)

Plymouth's Mike Nadratowski (No. 10) tries to take the ball to the rim Friday night, although Livonia Franklin players Deion Grubbs (No. 12) and an unidentified player try hard to stop him. At left is Brennan Beyer of the Wildcats.



ROBYN PIOWAR

Who: Robyn Piowar, captain for Canton's varsity girls gymnastics team.

Miscellany: The 17-year-old Piowar carries a 3.8 grade-point average, is a scholar athlete and member of the National Honor Society. Also on Canton's varsity girls swimming/diving and track/field teams, she is school record holder for floor exercise (9.775, 2009) and a three-time All-State gymnast for vault, beam, floor and all-around. Her mom is Gayle Piowar.

Captain's job: "Captain is a leader, somebody who sets a good example for the other girls, and is there to give for advice or encouragement. A captain can be counted on to what needs to be done, to ensure that the team



is successful. Captains act as the liaison among coaches, gymnasts, and parents."

Leadership style: "I like to encourage everyone to have fun, but still focus and do their best, and just shake it off if they make a mistake."

Why her? "I think my teammates saw that I can be a leader and that I want to see all of us, as a team, accomplish our goals."

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The Plymouth Canton Educational Park Figure Skating Team had a strong performance Jan. 17 in the second round of the District 3 team compulsory competition held at Farmington Hills Ice Arena. The team, coached by Barb Miller and Suzie Smith, will now skate in the final team competition Wednesday, Feb. 16 at the same location. Pictured are members of the PCEP team, listed alphabetically: Samantha Amado, Alicia Bonanno, Danielle Cecil, Melanie Elliott, Alex Feschenko, Jihan Hakkani, Alex Hanton, Taylor Jaaska, India Johnson, Natalie Jordan, Amy Kolarik, Katie Kowalski, Stephanie Lyle, Alexa Macari, Lindsay Magaldi, Victoria Massey, Allison Morrison, Aileen Peer, Amanda Pinko, Audrey Reding, Valeria Reyna, Allison Schendel, Breanna Schnur, Madison Smith, Lauren Taylor, Rose Vowler and Marissa Ziegler.



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PCEP skaters move up to final round

It makes perfect sense to expect something "big" out of the Plymouth Canton Educational Park Figure Skating Team.

After all, the 27-member squad not only has the biggest roster among Michigan teams, it has the biggest in the entire United States.

The best hopefully is yet to come for the PCEP team, coached by Barb Miller and Suzie Smith.

The team competed on Monday, Jan. 17 at Farmington Hills Ice Arena in the second round of the District 3 team compulsory competition.

It did well enough to qualify

for the next step —the final team compulsory competition, Wednesday, Feb. 16, at the same ice rink.

Here's a breakdown of how PCEP skaters fared on Jan. 17:

- The Level A team finished sixth overall with the Level A jumps team fourth in their event.

- The Level B team finished sixth overall with the Level B moves team taking third.

- The Level C team came in eighth place with an inspired effort.

By way of background, Michigan figure skating teams compete in five districts, each composed of between six and 12 teams.

Each school may field any or all of A, B and C level teams, which compete separately. The A teams have the most difficult elements and C teams the least difficult.

Teams participate in three initial-round competitions within their own district, then the victors from each district meet in a final state championship competition in March.

In the initial, team-compulsory competitions, each level is comprised of three events — jumps, spins and moves.

Each event has four elements, performed by a single skater from each squad, in a team rotation.

HOCKEY

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Schlieger ripped a shot from between the circles that Price got a piece of.

But the puck bounced over to Bryden, approaching the left side of the net. He then swiped it in past the sprawling Price.

"We felt it should have been a call, it wasn't called and we didn't react quick enough to it," Ossenmacher said. "That happens. Was it the deciding factor in the game? Absolutely not. That's a big momentum swing, but we battled."

That momentum carried over into the third as Canton senior defenseman Jimmy LaFontaine scored twice within about three minutes to open up a 3-1 edge.

The first came on a screen shot from the right circle that Price never moved on. LaFontaine's second goal came when he skated up ice and snapped the puck inside the right post.

But the Rocks never quit, and with 9:34 remaining cut the deficit to 3-2.

Quigley fed the puck cross-crease to linemate Mark McGee, who one-timed it home from the right side of the



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton goalie Spencer Craig (left) is helped out by teammates Brad Ceci (No. 6) and Jimmy LaFontaine (No. 2) to ward off Salem forward Mark McGee (No. 9).

net.

Salem (11-4-2, 6-3-1) pulled even at 3-3 with 2:38 left. Michael Manser's long shot from just inside the blue line eluded Craig.

Looking like the game would end in a tie, Bryden came to the rescue yet again for Canton.

Majszak said his team is

finding ways to win third periods, as it did again Friday.

"We got four lines that can play, and we can run them early and wear the other team down," he said. "By the time it gets down to crunch time, my leaders are rested."

They definitely were Friday, as dejected Salem players found out.

Whalers lose to Niagara in shootout

The Plymouth Whalers scored four goals in the third period Friday night against Niagara to send the Ontario Hockey League game into overtime.

But after a scoreless extra session, the IceDogs won the subsequent shootout to take a 6-5 win before 3,329 fans at Compuware Arena on "Faith & Family Night."

Niagara broke out to a 3-0 lead before the game was half over, but Plymouth started chipping away on a goal by Garrett Meurs with 5:41 to go in the second.

The third was a wild, seasaw affair with the game being tied on three different occasions. Stefan Noesen and Farmington Hills native Austin Levi netted goals to make it 3-3 but Niagara regained the lead less than a minute later at 7:17.

Jamie Devane sandwiched his seventh and eighth goals of the season around a marker by Niagara's Jason Wilson. Devane's second, with 3:30 to go, sent the game into OT.

Scott Wedgewood (24 shots, 21 saves) and Matt Mahalak (20-18) split netminding duties

for the Whalers (26-18-1-3), who fell two points behind Windsor for fourth in the Western Conference.

PLYMOUTH 5, WINDSOR 4 (SO): Behind a 57-save performance by goalie Scott Wedgewood, the visiting Plymouth Whalers prevailed in a shootout for a key Ontario Hockey League victory against the Spitfires.

Robbie Czarnik scored in the sixth round of the shootout for the winner. Also scoring during the shootout was Rickard Rakell.

The teams played a 1-1 tie in the first period (with Garrett Meurs scoring for the Whalers) and Plymouth netted three more goals in the back-and-forth second to take a 4-3 lead into the third.

Windsor's Tom Kuhnackl scored at 13:52 of the third to send the game into overtime, and both Wedgewood and the Spitfires' Jack Campbell were barely tested. Campbell faced 31 Plymouth shots, but none in overtime.

Tyler Brown, Mitchell Heard and Stefan Noesen also scored for the Whalers, with those markers all in the second frame. Collecting two assists each were Czarnik and defenseman Colin MacDonald.

The win pulled Plymouth (26-

18-1-2, 55 points) to within one point of Windsor (26-15-2-2, 56) for fourth place in the Western Conference, although the Spits have two games in hand.

PLYMOUTH 6, ERIE 2: In a game on Saturday, Jan. 22, the Plymouth Whalers broke out to a 3-0 lead in the first period and went on to post this Ontario Hockey League victory before 2,508 at Compuware Arena.

Six different players scored for the Whalers while, at the other end, goalie Scott Wedgewood shut the door on the Otters, stopping 38 of 40 shots.

Stefan Noesen, James Livingston and Garrett Meurs scored in the opening period, with center Robbie Czarnik setting up two of those markers.

Mitchell Heard scored late in the middle stanza, set up by Dario Trutmann and Livingston, to give Plymouth a commanding 4-0 lead.

Erie's Phil Varone ruined Wedgewood's bid for a shutout when he scored at 4:59 of the third, but the Whalers netted two more from Max Iafraite (from Tyler Brown and Alex Aleardi of Farmington Hills) and Michael Whaley (unassisted).

The Otters finished the scoring at 16:14, when Matthew Paton beat Wedgewood.

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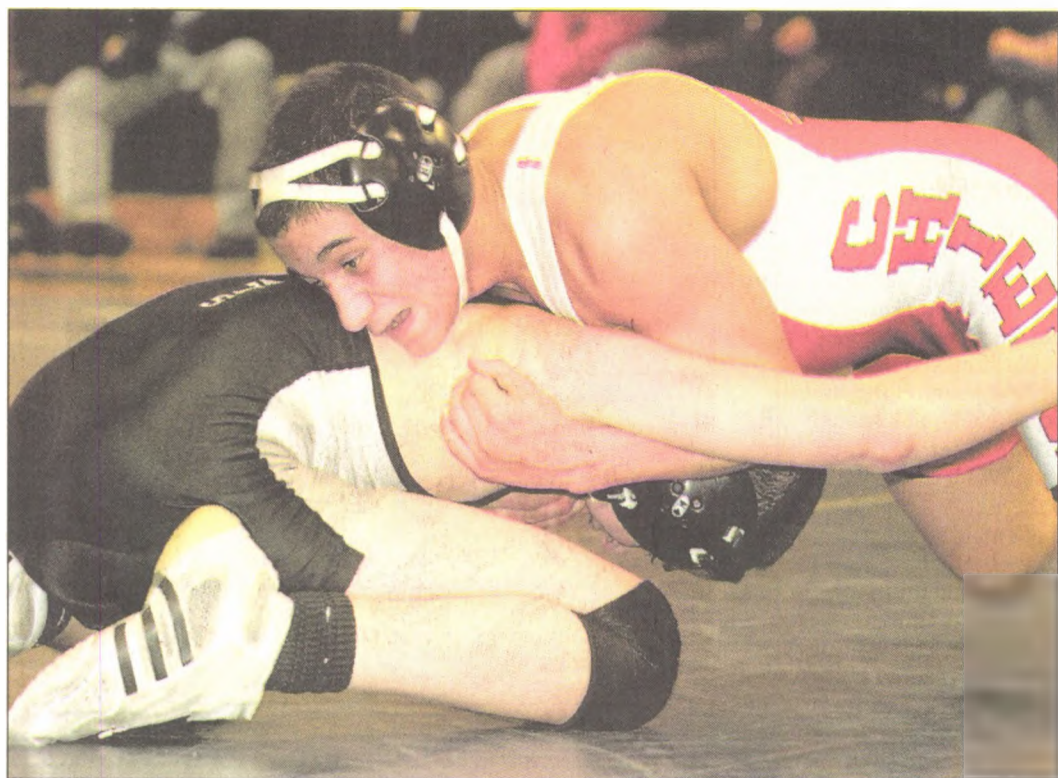
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JOHN KEMSKI

Canton freshman 119-pounder Alec Pantaleo gets an edge over an opponent at Wednesday's quad meet at Westland John Glenn.

WRESTLING

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For example, seniors Anthony Abro and Ben Poirer were key players on Canton's division and conference champion football team. Both have brought their athletic excellence to the wrestling room. At 189 pounds, Abro remains undefeated and as of Jan. 20 was ranked No. 1 in D1 among state wrestlers in his weight class. "Anthony Abro has been very impressive," the coach cited. "He's undefeated, he's beaten pretty much all the top-ranked kids that are in his weight this season." Mancuso said Abro is domi-

nant for a couple reasons. "He's better on his feet (than in 2009-10), he has more than one attack now." Also on the D1 leader board (as of Jan. 20) is Poirer, with just three losses to date at 215. Poirer remains No. 4 in the rankings. Sophomore Richard DeMarois, with only four losses so far in the 112 weight class, is No. 8. Two excellent freshmen also are ranked. Those include: Ben Griffin (No. 6, 103), beaten just once this season; Alec Pantaleo (No. 5, 119), who has just three losses.

TWO MORE WINS
On Wednesday at John Glenn, Canton routed

Plymouth by a 59-11 score and followed up with a 66-10 victory over Livonia Churchill. In the other matches, the host Rockets defeated Churchill (56-18) and Plymouth (38-22). Besides all of his state-ranked wrestlers winning both bouts at the quad, Mancuso said one of the highlights was a solid showing by sophomore Marc Przbylski. "Our 130-pounder (Przbylski) had a good win against (Plymouth's) Said Youssef, who I think took fourth at the Wayne County meet," Mancuso said. "So it was a good win for him."

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Table listing sports events for the week ahead, including Boys Basketball, Wrestling, Hockey, and Girls Basketball with dates, times, and locations.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USE OF THE 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FEBRUARY 8, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MEETING ROOM OF THE TOWNSHIP HALL WHICH IS LOCATED AT 9955 N. HAGGERTY RD. ON FEBRUARY 8, 2011

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PRELIMINARY INDICATIONS FROM THE WAYNE COUNTY OFFICE OF BLOCK GRANT, WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, ARE THAT THE ESTIMATED 2011 FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR THE TOWNSHIP WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$110,000.00. WAYNE COUNTY REQUIRES FOR 2011 THAT OUR REQUEST FOR PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS NOT EXCEED 19 % OF THE TOTAL ALLOCATION. BASED ON THAT SPECIAL REQUIREMENT THE PROJECTS ARE PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

ESTIMATED 2011 ALLOCATION BASED ON 19% PUBLIC SERVICE CAP

Table showing estimated 2011 allocation based on 19% public service cap. Categories include Public Services, Senior Services, Senior Transportation, Administration, and Brick & Mortar, with a total project cost estimate of \$490,000.

IF WAYNE COUNTY DETERMINES AFTER ALL APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED THAT ADDITIONAL FUNDS SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS THE PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

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Table showing estimated 2011 allocation based on township preference. Categories include Public Services, Senior Services, Senior Transportation, Administration, and Brick & Mortar, with a total project cost estimate of \$490,000.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, UPON COMPLETION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING, WILL DETERMINE THE USE OF THE 2011 FUNDS.

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PREP SWIMMING & DIVING

DUAL MEET RESULTS PLYMOUTH 98 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 88 Jan. 27 at John Glenn. 200-yard medley relay: 1. Plymouth (Cameron Earls, Alex Jouney, Ethan Christensen, Adam Liakos), 1:45.29; 2. John Glenn (Joey Wakeford, Nick Stevens, Paul Gutu, Ryan Boes), 1:49.13; 3. Plymouth (Ian Smith, Kyle Strobel, DeLeon Morris, Austin Ryan), 2:02.83. 200 freestyle: 1. Josh Wakeford (WJG), 1:55.01; 2. Jake Ferguson (WJG), 1:56.41; 3. Nick Weber (P), 1:56.59. 200 individual medley: 1. Jouney (P), 2:09.52; 2. Joey Wakeford (WJG), 2:10.16; 3. Todd Maslyk (P), 2:28.2. 50 freestyle: 1. Gutu (WJG), 23.25; 2. Liakos (P), 23.6; 3. Christensen (P), 24.13. 1-meter diving: 1. Connor McManus (P), 190.40; 2. Connor Monroe (WJG), 175.35; 3. Ian Smith (P), 172.00. 100 butterfly: 1. Christensen (P), 55.97; 2. Earls (P), 59.71; 3. Gutu (WJG), 1:01.4. 100 freestyle: 1. Joey Wakeford (WJG), 51.01; 2. Jouney (P), 51.55; 3. Liakos (P), 52.25. 500 freestyle: 1. Josh Wakeford (WJG), 5:11.87; 2. Zach Koch (P), 5:12.74; 3. Weber (P), 5:40.8. 200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Gutu, Boes, Josh Wakeford, Dave Vader), 1:38.52; 2. Plymouth (Liakos, Maslyk, Weber, Koch), 1:40.61; 3. John Glenn (Nick Stone, Cody Hodges, Stevens, Josh Jenderat), 1:41.9. 100 backstroke: 1. Earls (P), 59.51; 2. Ferguson (WJG), 1:00.31; 3. Jacob Burcicki (WJG), 1:12.61. 100 breaststroke: 1. Maslyk (P), 1:11.9; 2. Stevens (WJG), 1:14.47; 3. Strobel (P), 1:15.48. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Plymouth (Jouney, Christensen, Earls, Koch), 3:36.02; 2. John Glenn (Josh Wakeford, Ferguson, Vader, Joey Wakeford), 3:38.14; 3. John Glenn (Hodges, Tim Moran, Aaron Alholinna, Boes), 3:55.5. Dual meet records: Plymouth, 4-0 KLAA South Division; John Glenn, 5-1 overall, 3-1 KLAA South.

DOUBLE DUAL MEET RESULTS PIONEER 120, STEVENSON 66, PIONEER 108, SALEM 78, SALEM 108, STEVENSON 78 Jan. 27 at Ann Arbor Pioneer

200-yard medley relay: 1. Pioneer (Thomas Deegan, Eli Cornblath, Scott Mariatt, Thad Stalmack), 1:44.03; 2. Livonia Stevenson (John Ferrara, Grant McNamara, Dave Plashnik, Jake McNamara), 1:45.49; 3. Salem (Jeremy Wellman, Turner Solterman, Eric Li, Noah Santer), 1:45.52. 200 freestyle: 1. Seiji Osawa (P), 1:44.95; 2. Kellen Schoff (L), 1:45.82; 3. Adam Seroka (S), 1:46.00. 200 individual medley: 1. Max Mills (S), 2:02.78; 2. Li (S), 2:03.11; 3. J. McNamara (L), 2:06.91. 50 freestyle: 1. Tyler Hampton (P), 22.19; 2. Matt Collingwood (S), 22.44; 3. Santer (S), 23.18; 4. Brandon Bielicki (L), 23.28. 1-meter diving: 1. Nick Nemetz (P), 305.70; 4. Charlie Dillon (S), 195.90; 5. Joey Rudelic (S), 189.25; 6. Jack Beaudoin (L), 185.50. 100 butterfly: 1. Schoff (L), 53.99; 4. Jason Zhang (S), 58.47; 5. Wellman (S), 59.57. 100 freestyle: 1. Hampton (P), 48.44; 2. Seroka (S), 48.66; 3. Bielicki (L), 50.55. 500 freestyle: 1. Osawa (P), 4:48.30; 2. Collingwood (S), 4:51.36; 3. Mills (S), 5:02.00; 4. J. Ferrara (L), 5:03.59. 200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Santer, Seroka, Mills, Collingwood), 1:31.95; 2. Stevenson (Bielicki, J. McNamara, Adam Ferrara, Schoff), 1:32.20. 100 backstroke: 1. J. Ferrara (L), 55.93; 2. Li (S), 57.19; 4. Wellman (S), 1:00.60. 100 breaststroke: 1. J. McNamara (L), 1:04.13; 3. Solterman (S), 1:05.17; 5. G. McNamara (L), 1:06.54; 6. Smaran Bhaktawara (S), 1:07.01. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Pioneer (Hampton, Renato Quelhas, Thomas Deegan, Osawa), 3:18.93; 2. Salem (Collingwood, J. Zhang, Mills, Seroka), 3:19.70; 3. Stevenson (Bielicki, A. Ferrara, J. Ferrara, Schoff), 3:24.71.

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FEBRUARY

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Bariatric surgery

The Michigan Bariatric Institute presents educational seminars from 6-8 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 3, March 3 and April 7 at St. Mary Mercy Livonia, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Dr. Tallal Zeni, director of Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery, and Dr. Jacob Roberts, a bariatric surgeon, will make presentations. For more information, call the Michigan Bariatric Institute at (877) WHY WEIGHT.

Grief recovery

A grief support series will run from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 3-March 3, at Washtenaw Medical Arts Building, 3075 Clark, Suite 200, Ypsilanti. Support group members will learn how grief affects them physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually and how to deal with difficult emotions. They'll receive and give support and learn how to take steps to reconcile with grief. To register call (734) 327-3224 or (734) 327-3409.

Baby Basics

Get the basics of baby care and breastfeeding all in one class, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. This class is designed for first time parents to learn the skills of feeding, bathing, diapering, skin care, soothing and safety. A St. Mary Mercy Hospital certified pediatrician will discuss infant illness and child immunization. New parents will learn breastfeeding techniques including positioning, pumping, storage and breast care. Participants should bring a stuffed animal or doll to use during a demonstration on how to hold the baby when breastfeeding. There will be a 45-minute lunch break during the class. This class is open to anyone who cares for an infant. The fee is \$50 per couple. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-1162, or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events." The hospital also will run a class designed to help mom keep their children healthy, 10 a.m. Feb. 8. The speaker is Azadeh Khaghany, a certified pediatrician at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Registration is required.

Sleep Apnea

Livonia dentist John Colasanti will talk about treating sleep apnea with dental devices from 7-8:30 p.m., Feb. 10 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Discover the latest in medical equipment; masks and supplies for sleep disorders, such as continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) technology. Participants with a CPAP machine may bring it to the presentation for a free pressure accuracy check. Call (734) 655-4640 for more information, or to register.

Flu shots

Community Living Services, 35425 Michigan Avenue West, Suite 3653, Wayne, will hold an H1N1 flu vaccination clinic, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 10. Free. (734) 467-7600.

Healthy hearts

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers these heart-related events for women next month:

- Marianne Simancek, a registered nurse, will talk about healthy habits for cardiovascular health, 1 p.m. Feb. 9 at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland.
- Dr. Roy Misirliyan, director of Noninvasive Cardiology, will discuss how diabetes affects the heart and cardiovascular system, 7 p.m. Feb. 9, in the hospital auditorium.
- Dr. Barbara Kong will be the speaker at "The Heart of a Woman," 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage will be offered from 5:30-7 p.m. Participants will learn to identify the unique signs and symptoms of a heart attack and the simple steps needed for a healthy lifestyle that can improve heart health. There is no charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Register at (734) 655-1182 or stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."

Study looks at broader use of heart-assisting devices

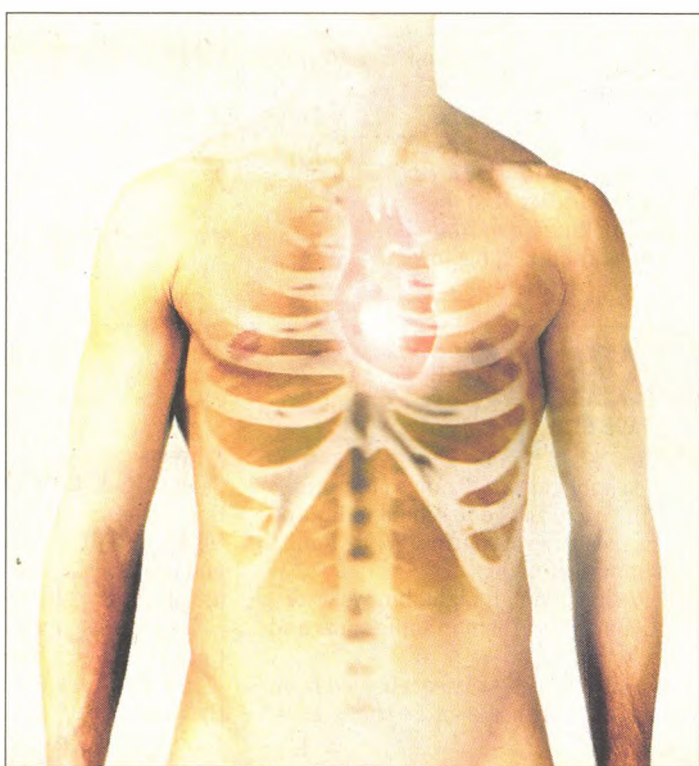
The University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center and the University of Pittsburgh have been awarded \$13.3 million to explore the potential benefits of heart devices for the large and growing group of Americans with heart failure.

The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) and HeartWare, a maker of left ventricular assist devices, (LVAD) are sponsoring the study of these devices that support circulation in patients with failing hearts.

In REVIVE-IT, researchers will compare whether non-transplant eligible patients with heart failure do better with implanted devices than with current medical therapy.

Principal investigators include Dr. Keith Aaronson, medical director of the heart transplant program and Center for Circulatory Support at the U-M Cardiovascular Center, Dr. Francis A. Pagani, surgical director of the heart transplant program and the Center for Circulatory Support at the U-M and Dr. Robert Kormos, director of the UPMC Artificial Heart Program and co-director of the UPMC Heart Transplantation Program.

"The new study allows us to examine the use of heart devices earlier in the cas-



cade of heart failure," says Aaronson, associate professor of medicine at the U-M Medical School.

For most patients, either a past heart attack or certain conditions such as hypertension, heart muscle diseases, abnormal heart valves, or diabetes has led to heart failure.

LVADs are currently used in patients with very advanced heart failure as a last resort to help them survive the wait

for a heart transplant, or serve as a permanent alternative to heart transplantation.

"In REVIVE-IT we'll test the theory that heart failure patients whose condition impairs their daily lives, but who have not suffered serious consequences such as organ damage, malnourishment or immobility, would benefit from earlier implantation of an LVAD," says Pittsburgh's Kormos.

The pilot study will include 100 patients from selected hospitals across the United States, including the U-M and Pittsburgh. Site selection for the study will begin later this year. The U-M's Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research will coordinate the study.

Kormos is also co-principal investigator of the NHLBI-sponsored Interagency Registry for Mechanical Circulatory Support, which contains information on nearly 2,000 approved assist devices.

"Ventricular assist devices have been shown to improve both the quality and length of life of late-stage heart failure patients," says J. Timothy Baldwin, REVIVE-IT trial project officer, Division of Cardiovascular Sciences, NHLBI. "This trial promises to help us learn if there are advantages to providing these devices before patients reach late-stage heart failure."

The REVIVE-IT study

device will be HeartWare's left ventricular assist device, the HVAD pump, a battery-operated continuous blood flow pump that's surgically placed within the heart and the pericardial space surrounding the heart.

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"Our work may advance the treatment of heart failure by evaluating whether technology now reserved for very severe heart failure is ready for application to a broader group of patients in need," says Pagani, a cardiac surgeon and professor of surgery at the U-M Medical School.

U-M's Center for Circulatory Support is a multidisciplinary team of physicians, surgeons and allied health care providers dedicated to the care of patients with advanced heart failure or cardiogenic shock. Center clinicians and researchers have provided leadership in the clinical investigation of most of the implantable circulatory support devices in use today.



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New exhibit looks at the Civil War period at home, on battlefields

BY SHARON DARGAY
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History buffs will commemorate the Civil War sesquicentennial this year with celebrations, reenactments and speeches.

But Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, executive director of the Plymouth Historical Museum, says there are other reasons visitors should “rediscover” the pivotal event in U.S. history.

“No matter what angle you take you’re always discovering something new about it,” she said. “They don’t teach history so much in schools any more and especially for young kids now, the Civil War is ancient history, but it was fought on our own soil and so it’s a unique war to study.”

“There are lots of us who are fascinated by the Civil War. For some of us it never goes away. I’m a re-enactor, so I dress in period dress whenever I can. You kind of live and breathe the Civil War.”

Museum visitors who associate the four-year conflict only with guns and battlefields will be in for a pleasant surprise as they walk through “Rediscovering the Civil War.” The new exhibit, which opened Friday in the Victorian-era Main Street at the Plymouth Historical Museum, offers a glimpse of home life during war time, in addition to spotlighting local soldiers and life in battle.

Dan Packer, a member of the museum board, curated the exhibit and borrowed artifacts and archival material from collectors for the show.

Much of the material also came from the museum or other board members.



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Issac S. Savery was given a Metropolitan Naval Percussion pistol when he enlisted in D Company of the 20th Michigan Infantry. The pistol and a sword are on loan from Savery’s descendant Win Schrader.



Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens talks about the new Civil War exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

A touch-screen display will enable visitors to view and print out biographies of the 100 soldiers — 65 were from Plymouth, 11 from Livonia, 8 from Canton Township — who formed Company C. The unit formed after a meeting held Aug. 9, 1862 in the Village Green — now Kellogg Park

— in downtown Plymouth.

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“It was a huge meeting. This was after Lincoln put out a call for 75,000 more men, a little more than a year after the war had started,” Kerstens said. “There were some military people there. Col. (Henry)

Morrow, the 24th Michigan Infantry regimental commander was there speaking. But mostly, it was civilians that came to listen.

“Do you remember back after Desert Storm ended, the feeling in the country? I imagine you can relate that same feeling to how they might have felt in Plymouth at the time. A lot of people would have been really mad about the war, so a lot of people came. And they formed a Company, Company C.”

Kerstens plans to stage a reenactment of the meeting April 9 and 10 in Kellogg Park. Re-enactors, most dressed as civilians, will camp at the Wilcox house and then gather in the park as the community’s

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Johnny Clem was a 9-year-old drummer boy.

dead at a newspaper office. In the carpentry shop, a woman and girl, dressed in black, secure a coffin for a loved one.

At re-enactments, Kerstens portrays the widow, Mary Davis, who ran the Ladies Aid Society in Plymouth during the Civil War. A scene in the new exhibit also shows a woman and girl sewing towels for soldiers.

“The women that were left back home wanted to help as much as they could if they had the time. Lots of them were left to take care of their farms in place of the men, but some wanted to help. They made bandages with linen or shirts for the soldiers. They made ‘housewives,’ a sewing kit carried by soldiers.

“There will be a whole lot of women waving them on and we’ll walk from there to here, like we’re sending them off to war.”

Women figure prominently in many of the vignettes staged with mannequins throughout the exhibit. In one, a pregnant wife, dressed in a billowing “wrapper,” the precursor to the modern housecoat, bids her soldier-husband a teary goodbye. Across the street, a woman checks for names of the wounded and

ancestors did 149 years ago. After the meeting, the new recruits will be issued their packs and equipment in preparation for military service.

“In Plymouth the Ladies Aid Society probably was a group of women who got together and sewed, quilted and packed stuff to ship it off to the battlefield. The group ceased to exist after the war, but a lot of

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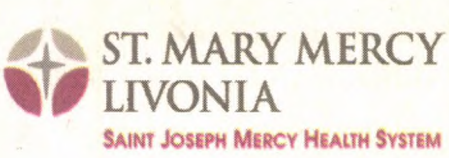


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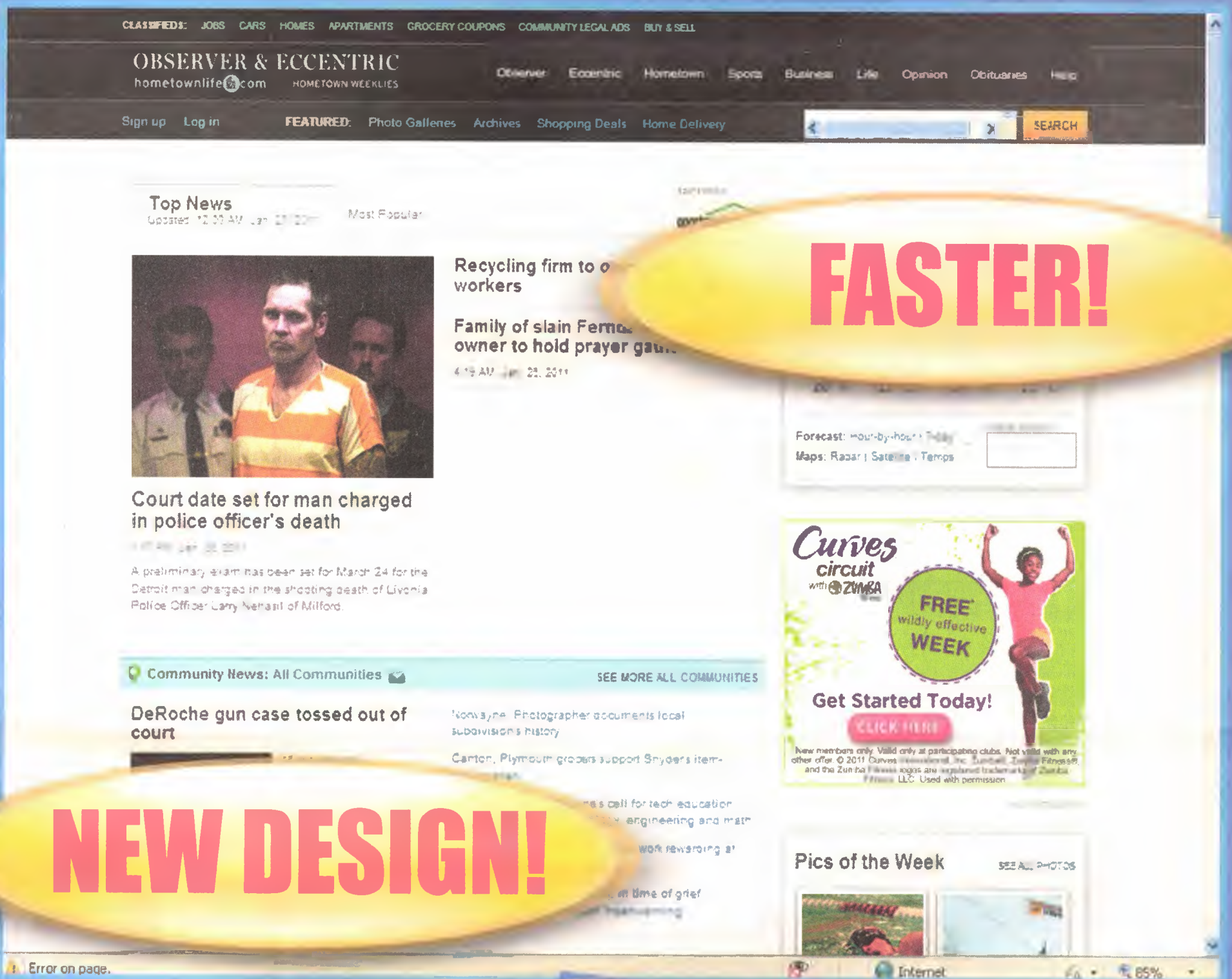
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